REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed November 4, 2004 ("Office Action"). Claims 1-39 are pending in the present application and currently stand rejected.

Section 102 Rejection

Claims 1-6, 12, 14, 16-20, 22, 27, 29-31, and 36-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,974,566 issued to Ault et al. (*"Ault"*). Although Applicant disagrees, Applicant has nonetheless amended Independent Claims 1, 14, 29, and 36. *Ault* does not disclose at least the following limitation of amended Independent Claim 1:

> "initiating a service request message by a first client to a first server, the service request message initiated after a *telephony* call session has been established between the first client and a communication network" (emphasis added)

Ault is directed towards a method of enabling persistent access by a Web server to files stored in a distributed file system. *See* Abstract of *Ault*. In this process, the Web server accepts a request from a Web client, and, after processing that request, returns a response to the Web client. *See e.g.*, Abstract of *Ault* and column 4, lines 45-46 of *Ault*. In this processing, *Ault* describes the following invocation of a session manager:

> "The session manager 27 is thus invoked by the Web Server when a user attempts to access a DFS file. If a user has already been authenticated by DCE, the Session Manager 27 returns the user credential to the server, which uses this credential to retrieve DFS documents on behalf of the user. If not, the session manager 27 will login for the user and obtain the credential from DCE Security. The session manager maintains the in-memory database 29 to keep track of which user has logged in so that redundant logins need not be performed." (Column 6, lines 24-33 of *Ault*)

Thus, it is apparent that *Ault* does *not* disclose "initiating a service request . . . after a *telephony* call session has been established."

For at least this reason, Applicant respectfully submits that Independent Claim 1 is allowable. Independent Claims 14, 29, and 36 recite limitations that are similar, although not identical, to the limitations of Claim 1. Therefore, these claims are allowable for reasons analogous to those discussed above in connection with Claim 1. Claims 2-13, 15-28, 30-35, and 37-39 depend from independent Claims 1, 14, 29, and 36, respectively, and are thus also allowable over the cited art.

Section 103 Rejections

The Examiner additionally made several rejections of dependent claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). These rejections are moot because the independent claims are allowable, as described above.
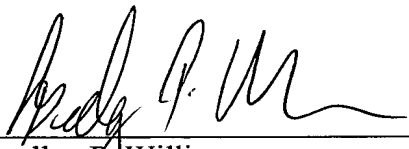
CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the Examiner is invited to contact Brad P. Williams, Attorney for Applicant, at the Examiner's convenience at (214) 953-6447.

Although no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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